

Dear Cloggers and Friends,

You are invited to the 1ST annual “Las Vegas Invitational” on 17, 2007. This year’s event will take place in the Cashman Convention Center, located in beautiful Las Vegas Nevada. Parking is available at the Convention Center for a small fee.

The “Las Vegas Invitational” is a regional qualifying competition for **Clogging Champions of America**. This is a great opportunity for you to qualify for the **2008 Showdown of Champions**, the CCA National Dance-Off. For more information about Clogging Champions of America (CCA), please visit their website at www.caclog.com .

Along with all CCA sanctioned categories, as well as acapella team, short duo/duets and show duo/duets, we are pleased to announce that we will be offering several other categories of competition this year. These categories are: Acapella duo/duet, traditional solos, novice team, choreographed solos, and short traditional duo/duet.

The early team dancer registration fee is \$12 per dancer per dance. The early registration deadline is October 26, 2007. The late team dancer registration fee is \$15 per dancer per dance. All late entries must be received by November 9th, 2007. **NO TEAM REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER NOVEMBER 9th, 2007.** Duo/duets, Short duo/duets, Show duo/duets, Traditional duo/duets, and Acapella duo/duets are \$25 per couple. All solos (amateur, challenge, and traditional) are \$12 per dancer per dance. These solos may register at the door. Choreographed solos are \$25 and must be pre-registered. **All Spectator Passes will be pre-sold. Please fill out the form enclosed and return it with your team registration. Spectator passes are \$5. This is a policy of the facility and we are sorry for any problems this may cause.**

We are very pleased to have two great host hotels for you to choose from. If you prefer to stay on historic Fremont St. in Downtown Las Vegas please call the 4 Queens Hotel and Casino at 1-800-634-6045. If you mention that you are coming with the Las Vegas Invitational you will receive a low rate of \$99 for Friday and Saturday night. If you want to stay right on the strip the Excalibur is the place to stay. If you mention the Las Vegas Invitational the rates are as follows: Wed. & Thurs nights are \$96, Fri. and Sat. \$141, and Sun. & Mon. is just **\$56**, so for those of you wanting to spend more time in Las Vegas for a cheap price, this is the place.

We hope that you will make plans to join us for this year’s event. The “Las Vegas Invitational” is brought to you by Chip and Misty Harrison and Kevin **Parries**. If you have any questions, please contact us at 865-742-3316 or email us at tncelite@hotmail.com, or Kevin at ccakevin@aol.com 828-687-8600 .

See you at the INVITATIONAL...
Chip, Misty & Kevin

LAS VEGAS INVITATIONAL

2007 Schedule of Events

7:15 a.m.

Doors Open

7:45 a.m.

Director's Meeting

8:00 a.m.

Competition Begins

Solos

Choreographed Solos

Traditional Solos

Acapella duo/duet

All Tiny Tot Team Categories

Novice Team

Short Duo/Duets

Short Traditional Duo/Duet

Hoedown (Amateur and Challenge)

Traditional Line

Precision (Amateur and Challenge)

Standing Line (Amateur and Challenge)

Open Line (Amateur and Challenge)

Acapella Solos

Acapella Team

Exhibition (Amateur and Challenge)

Artistic Expression (Amateur and Challenge)

Overall Amateur Team Dance Off

Overall Junior Team Dance Off

Overall Challenge Team Dance Off

Duos

Duets

Show duo/duet

Las Vegas Invitational– General Information

Entries: Entries will be accepted in the order received. Programming for all dance categories will be in reverse order (first received will dance last). **The early registration deadline is October 26, 2007 and the late registration deadline is November 9, 2007.** No team, duo/duet, or choreographed solo registration will be accepted at the door.

Rules: Event rules have been provided. Directors, please review the rules carefully and observe the time limits. The director is responsible for knowing the rules. One (1) point will be deducted from the average score for any rules infraction. If you have any questions regarding the rules, please call Chip and Misty Harrison at 704-823-8667 or e-mail: tncelite@hotmail.com, or **Kevin Parries** at 828-687-8600 or ccakevin@aol.com

Judging: Five (5) judges will be used for the Las Vegas Invitational. Every effort has been taken to secure an experienced panel of judges. The high and low scores will be dropped, and the remaining scores will then be averaged. Score sheets will be distributed at the end of the competition.

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Spectators: Spectator admission will be \$5. Persons age 5 and under are admitted free. **ALL SPECTATORS MUST PRE-PAY.** The Convention Center requires that all spectators pay for the competition in advance. Please fill out the enclosed form and return it with your entry. Please forgive us for any trouble this may cause. Directors, please make your parents aware of the spectator fees. **All spectator fees are non-refundable.**

Video Policy: All video taping must be done from the rear of the auditorium or hand held in your seat. No video cameras are permitted in the aisles.

Music: Team, duo/duet, and choreographed solo contestants must provide all music on High Quality Cassette Tapes or CD's. The event coordinator accepts no responsibility for poor sound due to bad quality recordings. Speed checks will be done off stage via headphones. Once a dance begins, the Team Director has 15 seconds to stop the dance due to sound problems, other than poor quality CD's/tapes. If your music is on CD that you have burned yourself, please bring a back up CD or cassette tape.

Stage Call: There will be three (3) stage calls for entrants. 1st, 2nd, and "last call". If an entrant is not lined up and ready to dance by "last call," you will forfeit that dance category. If you see that there is going to be a delay due to costume changes, please notify the emcee ASAP so that the order of dance can be adjusted. **The competition will not be delayed due to dancers being late to the stage.**

Dressing Areas: Dancers will be provided with designated areas to dress and maintain costumes. The auditorium seating will not be used for costume storage.

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- * Concessions will be available in the lobby area.
- * No sitting or standing in the aisles. No sitting on the floor around the stage area. All aisles must be kept clear of tripods, strollers, garment bags, etc. at all times.
- * All participants must abide by the Convention Center rules.

